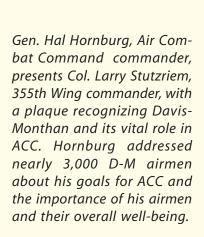
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Air Force leaders send holiday messages

The following is a holiday message from Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force, Gerald Murray:

"To our airmen stationed at home and abroad and their families — Sherry and I send our warmest wishes to you this holiday season. It is an honor for us to serve in our United States Air Force with each of you.

"The holidays bring to mind families gathered around tables stuffed with food and children opening gifts while parents look on. We know that deployments will cause many military families to have an empty seat at the table this year.

"If you are one of those families, please know that your sacrifice

does not go unnoticed. It is because of you and fellow airmen, soldiers, sailors, Marines and Coastguards-

men that Americans can gather, worship and celebrate in freedom.

"As we celebrate this holiday season and prepare to usher in a new year, Sherry and I thank you for your continued dedication and commitment. May God richly bless you, your family and our great nation.

The following is a holiday message from Secretary of the Air Force, Dr. James Roche, and Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. John Jumper:

"During this holiday season, Americans have placed their hopes for peace with those who have answered the call to secure known. freedom.

"Indeed, there is no mission more vital and no cause more noble than to be a defender of freedom.

"We know this has been a challenging year, as we remain engaged on several fronts supporting the Global War on Terrorism. Over the past year, we have traveled to many places just to look you in the eye and to offer our thanks for what you're doing for the Air Force and for America. No matter where we go we're always amazed with your talent, dedication and professionalism.

"Your service has been stellar. and space force the world has ever

"We are also humbled by the sacrifices made by your families as you work long hours or deploy far from home. Our families are the source of support that enables us to serve with pride and enthusiasm and defend the democratic ideals of our great country. During this special season, our thoughts and prayers will be with them.

"Americans are grateful for your selfless service. You have earned their trust and support through your courage, bravery and sacrifice. And, simply put, we are honored to serve with you.

"It is our hope that you will have You are why we have the best air a joyous holiday season and a safe and prosperous new year."

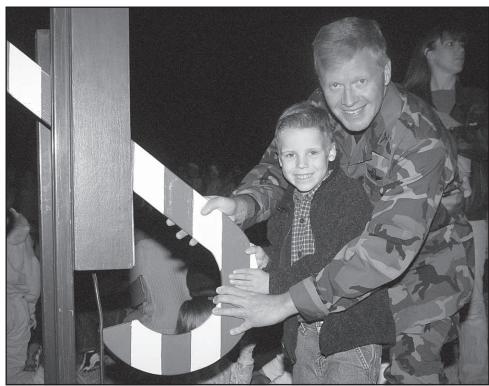
Commander's holiday message

The 355th Wing has performed brilliantly this year fighting the global war on terrorism. I am thankful for the sacrifices everyone has made in defense of our great nation, and I encourage you to take some well deserved time off this holiday season. Regroup, gather with friends and family, and celebrate the blessings we share as Americans. In line with Commander Air Combat Command guidance, I direct commanders and supervisors in the 355th Wing to grant their people the maximum allowable time off in order to rest and focus on their families from Dec 22 - Jan 2. Towards this goal, I've given specific guidance to 355th Wing unit commanders. Let us remember in our thoughts and prayers our Desert Lightning warriors who are deployed in harm's way. Continue to support their families here at home. Candice and I wish you and your family Happy Holidays and warmest regards.

Col. Larry Stutzriem

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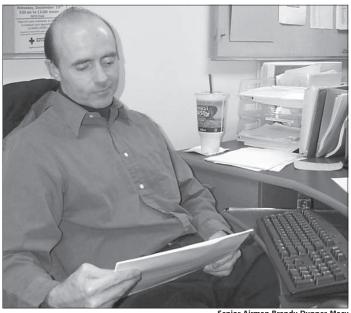
Col. Larry Stutzriem, 355th Wing commander and Jacob Croft, son of Krista and Chaplain 1st Lt. Randy Croft, 355th Wing, throws the switch to light the wing's holiday tree during a ceremony held at the Base Chapel Dec. 12.

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(Left) Jeffrey Roseberry, 355th Comptroller Squadron, reviews an accession status list of officers and enlisted members with prior military service.

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A Davis-Monthan A-10 is refueled over a cloudy sky in Iraq Dec 16. This A-10 is deployed from the 354th Fighter Squadron in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Many troops and aircraft have deployed from D-M over the past few months in support of the ongoing operations overseas.

Airmen receive UCMJ punishments

♦ A senior airman from the 612th Air Communication Squadron received a suspended reduction to airman 1st class, 10 days extra duty and a reprimand for **Government Travel Card abuse**, a violation of Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

♦ A senior airman from the 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron received a reduction to airman, a suspended reduction to airman basic, forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months, 30 days extra duty and 15 days restriction to base for **DUI**, a violation of Article 111 of the UCMJ. (Editor's note: Information is provided by the 355th Wing Judge Advocate Office. The same offense can result in different punishments. The commander considers several factors when determining punishment, some of which include: the offender's service record; previous incidents; seriousness of the offense; and impact on unit discipline, cohesion and morale.)

317 airmen were saved from the consequences of driving under the influence by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Dec. 31.

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Flu shots

Due to a limited supply of influenza vaccine, it has been limited to high priority groups from now until Dec. 31. The priority groups include: active duty, healthy children aged six to 23 months, adults aged 65 and older, pregnant women 14 weeks or more in gestation, people age two and older with underlying chronic medical conditions and individuals at great risk for transmission of influenza to those at high risk, such as healthcare workers. Children ages two through nine who have already received the vaccine and need a booster dose, have also been postponed until Dec. 31. At that time, the vaccine supply and priority scheme will be reevaluated. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Jessica Despot at 228-1536.

Christmas tree recycling

Christmas trees may be dropped off at the base recycling center until Jan. 11. Trees must be free of decorations, tinsel, plastic tree bags and other detritus. For more information, call Joe Uremovich at 228-2296.

CPR class

The 355th Medical Group Education and Training Flight will be conducting a CPR instructor class Jan 20 to 21. This course allows individuals to teach CPR upon completion of the course. Contact Tech. Sgt. Melissa Miller at 228-1589 for more information.

Road construction

Construction is currently ongoing for Wilmot Road from Quijota Boulevard to Picacho Street and for Quijota Boulevard from Wilmot Road to Phantom Drive. Detour signs and barriers will be in place. The construction will last approximately three weeks.

Clinic closure

The Medical Group's Saturday clinic will be closed Saturday, Dec. 27 and Jan. 3. The clinic will resume normal operations Jan. 10. If medical assistance is needed, call 570-7080 or 1-888-874-9378.

Air Force celebrates flight anniversary, 100 years of aviation

By Master Sgt. Dale McGavran 355th Wing chief of history

The image is familiar. We have all seen the picture of Orville Wright making the first controlled and sustained flight in a heavierthan-air craft. It is true, pictures are worth more than a thousand words. This one symbolized much more than a simple flight on a windy day in North Carolina. It showed man's ingenuity and persistence. And although it lasted 12 seconds and only covered 120 feet, it was one of the most defining moments in history.

It quickly became apparent how important aerial flight would prove to be. Before long, others with names like Smith, Arnold, Spatz and Curtiss were making huge strides in aerial achievements increasing the popularity of flight. These early pioneers all sought to lengthen the distance, increase the speed and improve the controllability of powered livered 2.3 million tons of cargo. is what each one of us is about to-

flight. In 1924, several flyers completed the first around the world flight, and in 1927 Charles Lindbergh made the first solo nonstop flight across the Atlantic Ocean arriving in Paris nearly 34 hours after leaving New York. He instantly became a hero.

There were other heroes of course and other aerial feats. There was the flight of the Question Mark, remaining airborne for almost seven days by means of aerial refueling. Less than fifty years after the first flight, Capt. Charles Yeager opened the envelope even further when he became the first to fly faster than the speed of sound, something the Wright brothers probably never thought possible. Then, in June 1948, Gen. William Tunner managed one of the largest airlift operations of all time. Between June 1948 and October 1949, aviators from the United States and Great Britain completed 189,000 flights and deThe Berlin Airlift remains today one of the greatest aerial achievements of all time.

Modern wars have come and gone, and airpower has proven itself to be the deciding factor every time. British Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery recognized this principle during World War II when he said, "If we lose the war in the air we lose the war and we lose it quickly." America now finds herself in another type of war, but airpower continues to prove itself a vital element to success.

Over the last 100 years, many things have changed. Technology has given us smart weapons so there is no one to hand-toss a bomb out of the cockpit. Jet engines allow us to get where we are going much faster than the early propeller-driven planes of yore. But it will always be man's ingenuity and persistence that will create future aviation innovations. It will be like this because this is what we do. It



Tech. Sgt. Marlin Zimm

An A-10 sits ready to fly on the Davis-Monthan flightline prior to takeoff in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. The A-10 is an integral aircraft in the war on terrorism. It provides close air support for Army and other services' ground troops at deployed locations and plays a large part in the history of flight and aviation.

day. We recognize, as most others do, the role of aircraft as a means of transportation. But as Air Force members we go one step further, for we believe in the strategic importance of airpower as a decisive weapon in war. On this 100th anniversary, let us remember those who have gone before and paved the way for today's strike aircraft, stealth technology and the ability to fly and fight anywhere in the world. It makes one wonder whether Orville and Wilbur could have realized the impact that flight on Dec. 17, 1903 would have on future generations.

D-M leaders set the fitness example with marathon training

By Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy 355th Wing Public Affairs

The 2003 Tucson Marathon, Half Marathon and Relay run, Dec. 7, was a huge success.

More than 50 servicemembers ranging in rank from airman 1st class to brigadier general from the 12th Air Force, and various squadrons from the 355th Wing joined nearly 4,000 people from all around the United States to participate in the local marathon.

"There was great participation from the entire DM community in the marathon from runners to people manning the aid stations to folks cheering along the course," said Col. Steve Dickman, 55th Electronic Combat Group com-

Lt. Col. Martha McSally, 612th Combat Operations Squadron director of operations, and the coach for the 12 Air Force runners said, "we proposed to the 12th Air Force commander that we start a quarterly 'Fit to Fight Competition' and use this marathon as the first event. He approved."

Each major organization in 12th Air Force put together a team of relay, half marathon and marathon runners, including the 612th Air Intelligence Group, the 612th Air Operations Group, the 612 Air Communications Squadron, and a combined team of the

612th Theater Operations Group, 12th Air Force command staff, 12 AF A1 and A4. The team with the fastest tocumulative time will become the 'Fit to Fight' winners for 12th Air Force for this quarter.

Among those teams were Brig. Gen. Mark Stearns, 12th Air Force vice commander, Col. Christopher Haave, 612th Air Operations Group commander, Col. Wayne Scott, 612th Air Communications Squadron commander and Col. Steve Dickman, 55th Electronic Combat Group commander.

"We laid out a training program that covered from July until the race, about 20 weeks altogether," said Col. Wayne Scott, 612th Air Communications Squadron commander.

"It included interval training of short and fast runs on Mondays, easy three to four mile runs on Tuesdays, longer four to six mile runs at race pace on Wednesdays, easy cross-training, such as swimming and biking, on Fridays and progressive longer runs at race pace on Saturdays, eventually increasing up to 21 miles," Scott said. "This program allowed us to build up gradually to the condition we needed to be in for the race."

The marathon was broken down into three different lengths and groups: The marathon runners ran 26.2 miles, the half marathon consisted of a 13.1 mile run and the relay covered the 26.2 miles with a four person relay runner

"Training for the marathon with our 12th Air Force and Davis-Monthan colleagues was as much fun as running the race itself," said Col Christopher Haave, 612th Air Operations Group commander. "Then, seeing our folks working the 12th Air Force-sponsored water station at the 15-mile point, cheering us on, was a huge boost to get through the rest of the race."

"The camaraderie we built was as important as the physical conditioning - when I started tiring out at about mile 17, I knew I couldn't disappoint the others by quitting - after all they were all ahead of me waiting for me to finish,"

"Fitness is critical for our men and women in the military. Being physically fit is not only good for your body, it has been proven that those that are fit are much better at handling stress and change," said Stearns, the senior participating officer.

"The level of participation indicates that people have taken the Chief of Staff's fitness initiatives to heart. Hopefully those who participated can inspire their peers to get into a regular fitness program," said Dickman. "Clearly Davis-Monthan's senior leadership is leading by example."

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Holiday Blues

Learn how to find joy instead of stress during the Christmas season

By Stephanie Ritter

355th Wing Public Affairs

With Christmas less than a week away, many are rushing to complete all of the last minute items on their lists. And with the coming of the season, dealing with the holiday blues can be difficult for some.

According to Capt. (Dr.) Deborah Lozinski, 355th Medical Operations Squadron Life Skills Support Center element chief, things like shopping, parties, family reunions and houseguests are all activities that can create uneeded stress during and after the holiday season. This can be especially true for members of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base community who are learning how to deal with holiday stressors without their loved ones due to deployments or temporary duty assignments supporting the mission.

"Most people get stressed because they have expectations for what they think is necessary to have a perfect holiday season and they have a hard time adjusting when things don't happen the way they planned them to," said Lozinski. "In addition, being away from loved

ones compounds the problem."

The effects of the additional stress can cause people to react in a variety of ways from overeating and excessive drinking to having difficulty sleeping and depression. Despite the fast pace of the season, it is important that any symptoms of the holiday blues be addressed and not ignored.

"Initially, people should talk with those they typically confide in – family, friends, chaplain or pastor," said Lozinski. "If they still feel overwhelmed, or stressed out, it may be helpful to talk with a mental health provider such as a psychologist, social worker or counselor."

Lozinski also points out that it is important for parents to remember that the holiday blues are not limited to adults.

"Children tend to show the same types of signs, or symptoms that the parents are experiencing. If the non-deployed parent is feeling sad or upset because of the absence of the deployed spouse, then the children will likely feel the same way."

In order to cope with the absence of a deployed parent during the holidays, children and adults should keep busy with activities that

include the deployed member in the family's holiday festivities. For example, making a care package for the deployed member that includes items like home videos, drawings or homemade presents can help bring the family together.

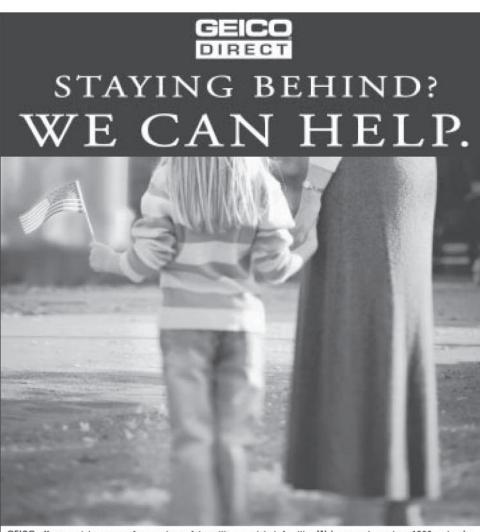
According to Lozinski, the key for families who are facing the holidays without a loved one is to make the most of the situation.

"Don't cancel your holiday fun because everyone is not together," she said. "Make the most out of your holiday by celebrating with those friends, family and co-workers that are in the area. If possible, make a call to the family member who is away."

"Life brings changes," she added. "Each holiday season is different and should be enjoyed in its' own way.

People should also remember that stress and the holidays do not have to go hand-in-hand.

"If people step back and set realistic goals for what they can and can not do, and if they take the time to remind themselves of the positive things and people they are grateful for, they will be able to have an enjoyable season," Lozinski said.



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Air Force suicide prevention program recognized

By G.W. Pomeroy

Air Force Surgeon General Public Affairs

A landmark University of Rochester study of suicide in the U.S. Air Force concluded that the service's suicide-prevention program reduced the risk of suicide by 33 percent during the past six years.

The research was reported in the Dec. 12 edition of the British Medical Journal.

"This is a prestigious international medical journal, and the fact that they have published this means that the Air Force suicide prevention program is being seen as a model program with every expectation that it can be exported to other settings both large and small," said David Jobes. He is a professor of psychology at The Catholic University of America.

"There is nothing that compares with this program," said Jobes, a past president of the American Association of Suicidology. "There have never been results quite as striking as these."

"What we gained from this investigation is a remarkable global view of violence prevention in a tightly organized group of people under considerable job stress," said lead author Kerry L. Knox, an assistant professor of community and preventive medicine at the University of Rochester.

"The Air Force was successful in that they reached out to all folks, instead of just those identified at high risk. I believe this approach can be replicated in other workplaces," Knox said.

Although risk factors for suicide are fairly well-known, little research exists on what might prevent the tragedy. Knox and her colleagues studied all airmen, not just those at high risk for suicide, which is the more typical approach.

Researchers compared Air Force rates of suicide, homicide, accidental death and family violence before and after the suicide-prevention program was in place in 1996.

Severe family violence declined 54 percent, while homicides dropped 51 percent, suicides decreased 33 percent and accidental deaths slid 18 percent, according to the study. Measuring change in social norms is more difficult, but researchers said that in a survey in 1999, 73 percent of unit commanders were aware of and concerned about suicide prevention.

"Dr. Knox's study illustrates that when an entire community becomes involved, (suicides) can be reduced," said Lt. Col. Rick Campise, Air Force suicide-prevention program manager.

In August, the program was hailed as a "model program" in a report released by the president's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health.

The Air Force uses an integrated system of chaplains and professionals from mental health, family support, child and youth services, health and wellness centers, and family advocacy. They all work together and take responsibility for prevention. This approach to suicide prevention launched to national prominence in 2001 when then-U.S. Surgeon General Dr. David Satcher made the program a model for the nation and incorporated it into the National Suicide Prevention Strategy.

Suicide rates in the Air Force have declined throughout the last six years. From 1991 to 1996, the active-duty suicide rate was 14.1 per 100,000. From 1997 — the year in which the prevention program was fully implemented through 2002, the annual average was 9.1 per 100,000. The service's suicide rate in 2002 was 8.3 per 100,000 people — its second lowest in 20 years.

As of Dec. 11, there had been 34 suicides among active-duty airmen in 2003 — a rate of 9.9 per 100,000. No suicides were among active-duty airmen deployed in Operation Iraqi Freedom, officials said.

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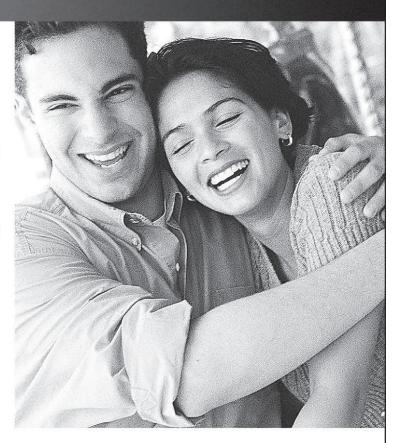
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ORM goes to infinity and beyond

By Master Sgt. Darrell Reid 55th Electronic Combat Group

Do you remember Disney's first fully computer animated feature Toy Story? Do you remember Buzz Light Year of Star Command? This flying animated law enforcement agent was a representative and servant of the people like you and me. His job was to make sure the populace was safe. Remember how his decisions were short and quick; his movements full of gusto and purpose; and his limits could be summed up in his rebel yell: "To infinity and beyond."

This brings me to a recent mishap report. An experienced rider got hurt on a dirt bike. The trail he was riding on was established and a safe place to enjoy himself on a normal, leisurely adventure riding "to infinity and beyond."

Many times when we are trying to get something done, or trying to go somewhere - up pops the unknown or the known with unforeseen variables. In this case the risk

was an unavoidable mud hole, which resulted in the dirt bike going out of control. The member fell to the ground and suffered injuries.

This and many other mishaps could, and do, happen to almost anyone. What got my attention was the supervisor's response to the accident. He advised the rider to always do a course familiarity tour or safety lap initially to assess the terrain for any ob

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Final Answer



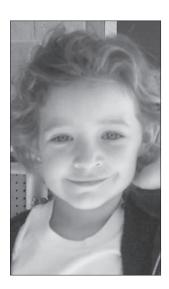
Cassidy Cochran Daughter of Leslie and Tech. Sgt. Christopher Cochran, 355th Component Maintenance Squadron

"For Christmas I want a hat, a new bike and new shoes."



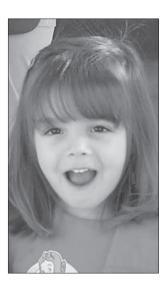
Justin Wells Son of Debra and Senior Airman Bryan Wells, 355th Security Forces Squadron

"I want a whole lot of Hot Wheels for Christmas."



Regina Gulli Daughter of Ronald and Army National Guard Sgt. Deanna Gulli

"For Christmas I want a sparkling bicycle."



Joslynn Collins Daughter of Norma and Tech. Sqt. Matthew Collins, 121st Fighter Wing

"For Christmas Iwant a Barbie."



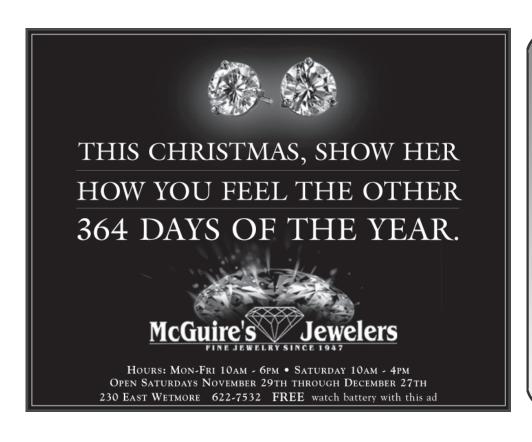
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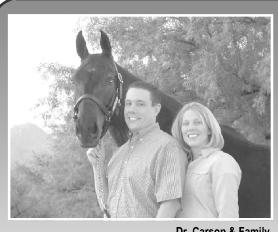
"I want a snake, one that doesn't bite for Christmas."



Tyler Hart Son of Nizhonie and Staff Sqt. Floyd Hart, 162nd Fighter Wing

"I want a Mario Cart video game and Hot Wheels."





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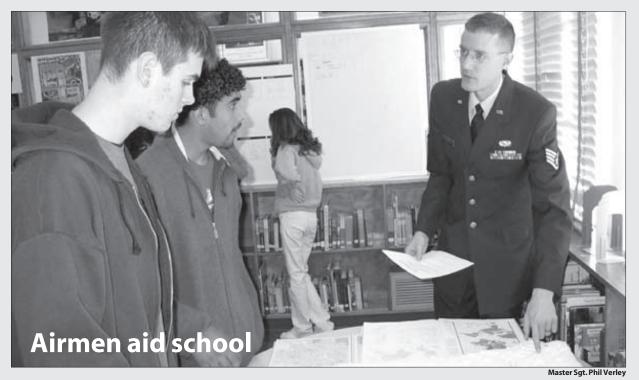
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stacles. A smart idea considering most people do not get up in the morning and think: what can I do to hurt myself, hurt others or destroy equipment today? It's just the opposite.

People want to be safe and still do their jobs with gusto or purpose. Yet many people forget to do a safety lap, whether mentally or physically. A safety lap is nothing more than taking time to think, having situational awareness and preforming operational risk management to assess the terrain for any obstacles before you begin to perform an activity.

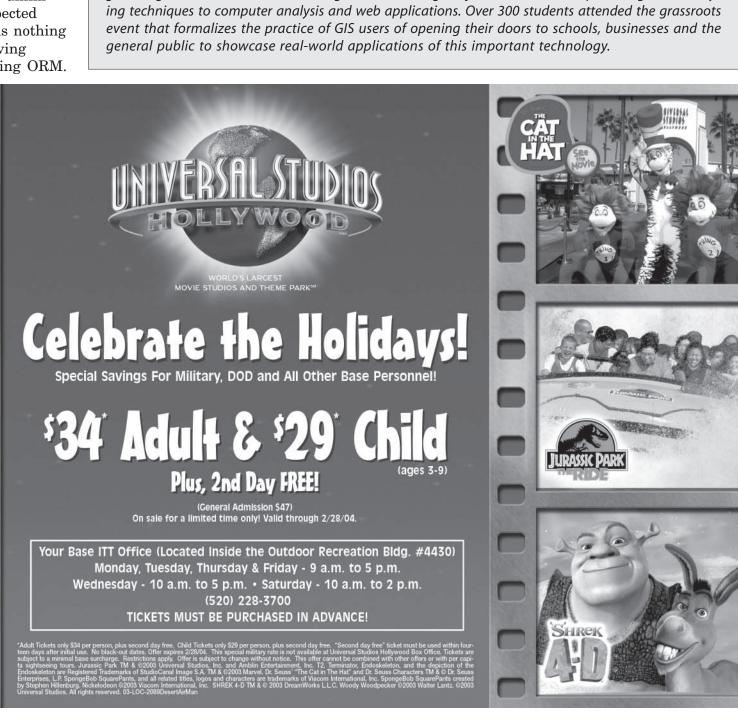
For example; on the job, if you or someone has cut himself, hit his head on an aircraft antennae, side swiped a car in the parking lot or has had other mishaps: Do you do a safety lap and ask, why is this happening all the time or wonder why that wasn't seen? Does someone need their eyes checked because their vision is changing? Does someone need to just slow down?

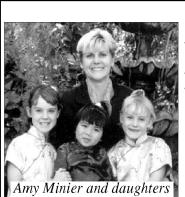
In the real world of limited time, unlimited taskings and the timely unexpected inconveniences; doing a safety lap is nothing more than taking time to think, having situational awareness and performing ORM.



(Right) Staff Sgt. Seth Wagenman, 355th Civil Engineer Squadron, teaches a class at Palo Verde High School how to read a topographic map in 10 minutes. Davis-Monthan airmen recently partnered with the Palo Verde High School to sponsor this year's Geographic Information Systems day events. The day long event took place at Palo Verde High School Nov. 19, in the library. Wagenman, Senior Airman Sam Song, Airman Andriy Klymenko and Airman Randy Soula, members of the 355th CES's geo integration office, held 24 briefings each, covering subjects from basic map reading and surveying techniques to computer analysis and web applications. Over 300 students attended the grassroots event that formalizes the practice of GIS users of opening their doors to schools, businesses and the general public to showcase real-world applications of this important technology.







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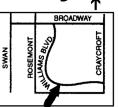
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Sonoran Spotlight

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member (officer, enlisted or civilian) of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Desert Lightning community. Members are nominated by their unit commander or first sergeant.)

Name: Staff Sgt. Christian Schut
Organization: 355th Training Squadron
Duty title: My duty title is A/OA-10 school

Hometown: I am originally from Sunnyside, Wash.

Years of service: I have been in the service for five years

Reason for joining the Air Force: I joined the Air Force so I could serve my country. *Main responsibilities:* My main responsibility is preparing and tracking all documentation on over 110 students annually, plus managing and maintaining over 6,095 training materials.

Best aspects of job: The best aspects of my job are meeting and working with A-10 pilots.

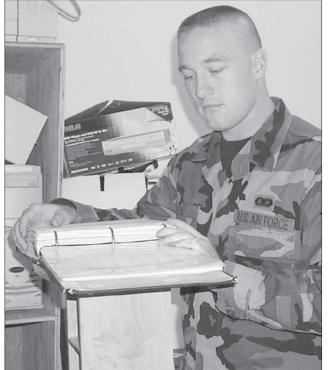
Goals: My goal is to make chief master sergeant.

Hobbies/outside activities: I enjoy shooting guns and weightlifting.

Favorite thing about D-M: The best thing about Davis-Monthan are the improvements being made.

My best assignment: Davis-Monthan Air Force Base is my first assignment.

Inspiration: My inspiration is Master Sgt. Richard Marquesen, because I have never met a better leader.

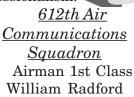


Staff Sgt. Tammie Clar

Chief's Group announces Sharp Troop

Congratulations to the airman who recently received the Chief's Group November Sharp Troop Award for his projection of a professional appearance, outstanding

outstanding bearing and exceptional professionalism.



D-M's annual Cookie ** Crunch successful

Volunteers donated 2,000 dozen cookies during D-M's annual Cookie Crunch drive, making the event an enormous success by exceeding the drive goal of 900 dozen cookies.

"Because of the generosity of the Davis-Monthan community, we were not only able to give wonderful homemade cookies to the dorm residents, but also to single airmen off base, the Veterans's Administration hospital and a box full shipped to Bagram," said Renee Napolitano, Cookie Crunch drive chairman.

In addition cookies were also delivered to troops serving though out Central and South America during the holiday season by Lt. Gen.

Randall Schmidt, 12th Air Force commander.

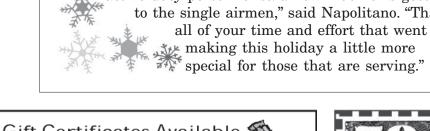
"During the two days we spent bagging the cookies, many active duty personnel said how much this gesture means to the single airmen," said Napolitano. "Thank you for all of your time and effort that went into

D-M member receives award

Congratulations to Airman 1st Class Daniel Tucker, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, who was named a 12th Air Force's 2003 General Leo Marquez award winner.

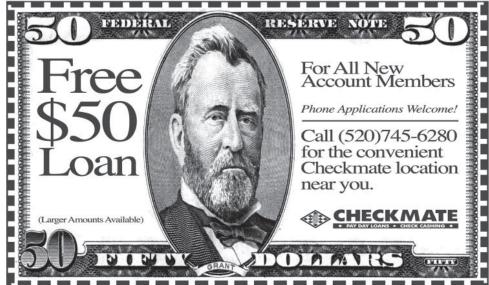
Tucker placed in the technician category for best aircraft and munitions/ missile maintenance personnel of the year for 12th Air Force

Tucker will continue on in the competition to represent D-M at the Air Combat Command level of the competition.

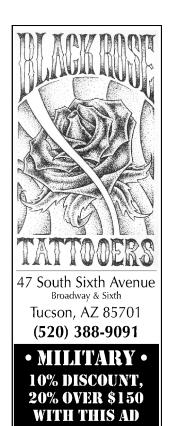




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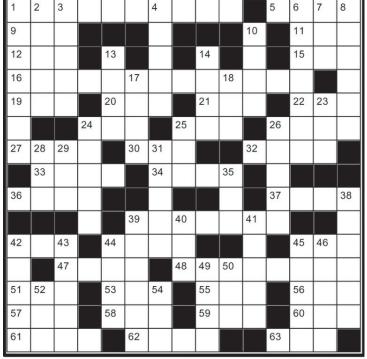


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Holiday puzzle

By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman

Alaskan Command Public Affairs



Across

- 1. Christmas Eve visitor
- 5. Item used to decorate Christmas presents
- 9. Referring to the environment
- 11. Stereo button (abbrev.)
- 12. Military commander's place of control (abbrev.)

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- 15. Female sheep
- 16. Christmas present cover
- 19. Terminate
- 20. Anger
- 21. Glimpse
- 22. Dally
- 24. Water
- 25. News org. founded by Turner
- 26. School subject
- 27. Top
- 30. Compass direction
- 32. Deal with
- 33. 1 Across tool to control reindeers
- 34. Eras
- 36. Item left for 1 Across
- 37. Item needed for a white Christmas
- 39. Wash
- 42. Housing extension

- 44. Items 1 Across delivers
- 45. Skillful
- 47. European currency
- 48. How 1 Across gets into
- 51. By way of
- 53. ___ out a living
- 55. Tree
- 56. JLo scent
- 57. Mistake
- 58. German one
- 59. Tarzan once
- 60. Charged particle
- 61. Rational
- 62. One more (Latin)
- 63. Branch of DoD

Down

- 1. Kelp
- 2. Tree starter
- 3. Military org. that tracks 1 Across
- 4. Actor Greene
- 6. Protrude
- 7. Amaze
- 8. 1 Across method of transportation
- 10. Back of the neck
- 13. Andy's boy
- 14. Ajar

- 17. Mideast country
- 18. Writer Rand
- 23. Dined
- 24. Time piece maker
- 25. Company head (abbrev.)
- 26. Symbol of Alaska?
- 28. USAF military inspection (abbrev.)
- 29. Director Brooks
- 31. Rap artist who released

Country Grammar

- 35. Male offspring
- 38. Holmes' assistant
- 39. Item left for 1 Across
- 40. Keyboard key
- 41. Rat Pack _ _ Davis Jr.
- 42. 1 Across helpers
- 43. Catch on
- 44. Where 1 Across puts 44

Across

45. Type of American naval

ship; ____ cruiser

- 46. Support
- 49. Part of the foot
- 50. Sick
- 52. A Gershwin
- 54. Lord of the Rings character

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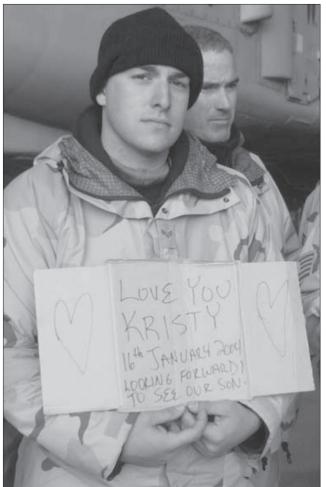




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Desert Lightning sends holiday messages home

Members from Davis-Monthan community deployed though out the world have sent some holiday messages home to let their family and friends know that, though they may not be able to see each other every day, they are still in their thoughts.



Tech. Sgt. Brian Davidso

Senior Airman Patrick Blevins, 354th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron AMMO Flight, sends a message home to his wife, Kristy, and his unborn son who is due Jan. 16, during a Geraldo Rivera special on Fox News. Blevins is deployed from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., to Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.



Dear Peter, Kegger and Ravin,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I'll be home soon for our walks to the park! I miss you and love you bunches.

Love Senior Airman Kelly Wentworth, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group



To my beautiful wife Kathleen and daughter Kierstynn,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I love you and miss you very much!

Senior Airman Gregory Sawchuk, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group To my family, Mike and Melody Harrell, Lane and Susan, Jessica and Pap-pa,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I believe we are involved in a war for our very way of life.

My comrades and I volunteered to fight this war so that the free world can enjoy the holidays with their families. Unlike other wars we have known, this one is fought globally in many battles with no clear end to the hostilities. For that, I am thankful to be 8,000 miles away from my family during the holidays and not fighting the war on terrorism in our backyard. This war is about the freedom to choose — the freedom to choose our beliefs or the freedom to read the newspaper you are reading now — to make the choices many of us take for granted.

The success of today's men and women can only be measured by the freedom of choice of tomorrow's generation. Our efforts give free people the choice to go to the local store or a movie, and if they feel safe making this choice, then we are winning. We don't have this choice in Afghanistan and are deprived of the little everyday luxuries often taken for granted. We appreciate any physical and spiritual support.

Capt. Chad "Opie" Harrell, 354th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron



To my wonderful husband Chris and my little ones Cody, Harmony and Miles,

You are everything to me and I wish I could be there to celebrate with you.

You guys are always right here in my heart though no matter how far away the Air Force takes me. Thank you for being so supportive of me and loving me no matter what. I love you and miss you all very much. Take care of each other and I will be thinking of all of you!

Chris, you are my heart and soul and I appreciate everything you've done. You have taken on a lot of responsibilities with taking care of the house and kids and you are doing a wonderful job. Merry Christmas!

Staff Sgt. Tiffany Naylor, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group



To my family, my friends especially Mike and Zno and my girl Lexie,

Merry Christmas and happy new year, I love you all and I'll be home soon!

Airman 1st Class Grontis Nicholas, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group Mom, Dad, Justin, Jasmine, Angelina, Beatriz and family,

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I miss you and hope to see you soon. God Bless.

Master Sgt. Guillermo Castillo Jr., 455th Expeditionary Operations Group



To all my family and friends,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Wish I was home for the holidays. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. I love and miss you very much!

Staff Sgt. Amy M. Kshir, 455th Expeditionary Maintenance Group



Mom, Steve, Stacey, Dan, Nicci, Josephine, Luke and Clayton and all my family and friends,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Afghanistan. Have a great holiday season and please keep everyone here in your thoughts and prayers. I love you and miss you all very much!

Second Lt. Amy Fowler, 354th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron



To my beautiful wife, Marilyn and awesome kids Lyndsey and Scott,

Have a very Merry Christmas and an awesome New Year!

Master Sgt. Darrell Mahan, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group



To my gorgeous wife Valinda and kids Sienna and Anthony,

I miss you guys. I hope Santa brings you great gifts. Valinda I love you and miss you very much, I cant wait to see you and be with you.

I am praying for our family and that we are all safe and healthy. I will see you soon. Keep writing me on AOL.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love, Senior Airman Emilio (Hubbie, Daddy) Nides, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group

Football rivalry blankets D-M

By Airman 1st Class Matthew Mason

41st Electronic Combat Squadron

The first and second rounds of the flag football playoffs started last week, with 12 teams pitted against each other in a double-elimination tournament.

Wednesday's games saw the 43rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit gain a free pass to the second round via forfeit, and turn around and beat the 355th Component Maintenance Squadron two hours later with a final score of 19-13.

The 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron beat up the 355th Operation Support Squadron 27-7 to advance to the second round game later in the evening against the 355th Logistics Readiness Squadron. Things didn't go quite as well for EMS against LRS, as they came up short 19-6.

Thursday's first round games pitted the 43rd Electronic Combat Squadron against the 25th Operational Weather Squadron, in what came down to the final minutes with a last minute drive by the Bats. OWS held off the surge, though, and pulled out the 13-7 victory advancing to the second round against The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron. Earlier, the 355th Communications Squadron forfeited to The 355th Maintenance Operations Squadron, sending them on to play the 355th Security Forces Squadron in the second round. MOS advanced to the third round as they outscored SFS 18-6. The last game of the evening, had OWS moving on thanks to a 20-12 victory over CES.

If the loser's bracket champion can knock off the winner's bracket champ, the final championship game will be played today at 7:30 p.m.



Pounding the pavement

Col. Christopher Haave, 612th Air Operations Group commander, participates in the 2003 Tucson Marathon, held Dec. 7. Many leaders and enthusiastic airmen from numerous agencies across the base participated in the event. The marathon hosted almost 4,000 participants from across the country. For more information about the marathon, see "Airmen set pace, dedicate themselves to upkeeping fitness," Page 4

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Best in the west

The 2004 Best in the West Basketball Tournament will be hosted by the Fitness and Sports Center Jan. 16 through 19. Many teams from various locations are scheduled to compete in the three-day tournament. For more information, or to reserve your space in the tournament, call 228-0022.

Fitness center fun run

There will be a 3K Jingle Bell Fun Run today at 7 a.m. at the center's outdoor track. Sign-ups begin at 6:45 a.m. For more information, call 228-0022.

Swim For life

The Fitness and Sports Center's Swim For Life program is a program designed to encourage a healthy lifestyle as well as introduce the indoor pool during the workout week. The program runs January through March and covers a total of 24 miles for beginners. Stop by the pool office to reserve your spot for the event.

See *Sports Shorts*, Page 16

Fitness Center Classes

The following is a list of classes offered at both fitness centers. Class fee is listed if applicable.

Monday

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium Intensity – New Fitness Center
11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon – Step Aerobics – Haeffner
Noon to 1 p.m. - Spinning – Haeffner
5 to 6 p.m. – Step Aerobics – Haeffner
5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) – New FC
6 to 6:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) - New FC
7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (15 years plus) – New FC

Tuesday

9:15 to 10 a.m. - Water Aerobics - High -- New FC
10 to 11 a.m. - Senior/Low Impact Aerobics \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner
Noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit Training - Haeffner
5 to 6 p.m. - Pilates -- \$2 -- New FC
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics -- \$2 -- Haeffner
6 to 8 p.m. - Self Defense (Kyokushin) -- \$25/month - New FC

Wednesday

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium – New FC 11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC 11 a.m. to noon – Step Aerobics – Haeffner 5 to 6 p.m. – Step Aerobics – Haeffner

5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) – New FC

6 to 6:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) New FC 6:15 to 7 p.m. - Water Aerobics - High Intensity -

7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (Adults) – New FC

Thursday 9:15 to 10 a.m. - Water Aerobics – High Intensity –

New FC
10 to 11 a.m. – Senior/Low Impact Aerobics – \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner
Noon to 1 p.m. – Circuit Training – Haeffner
5 to 6 p.m. - Pilates - \$2 - New FC
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner

6 to 8 p.m. - Kyokushin - \$25/month - New FC

Friday

11 to 11:45 a.m. – Water Aerobics – Medium Intensity – New FC
11 a.m. to noon – Pilates - \$2 - New FC
11 a.m. to noon – Step Aerobics – Haeffner
Noon to 1 p.m. – Spinning – Haeffner
5 to 5:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, white and yellow belt) – New FC
6 to 6:50 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, orange belts and up) New FC
7 to 8 p.m. – Dang Soo Do (Adults) – New FC

Saturday

10 to $11~\mathrm{a.m.}$ - Step Aerobics - \$2 - New FC

Sunday

9:15 to 10:15 a.m. - Cardio Plus - \$2 - New FC

Reminder: Active-duty members enrolled in the Fitness Improvement Program have priority in free aerobics classes (per AFI 34-266, para 3.4). Videos are available for check-out at the new fitness center for use in the aerobics room. For more information, call 228-0021 or 228-0022.

Sports Shorts

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Fishing, hunting licenses

Outdoor recreation has Arizona Fishing and Hunting licenses available. The following prices are state regulated: Fishing: State: \$18. Urban: \$16. Two-pole stamp is an additional \$4 and trout stamp is an extra \$10.50. Hunting: \$25.50. Deer tag: \$17.50. Combo: \$44 For more information, call 228-3736.

Single? Play golf?

If you are single, 21 or older, and enjoy playing golf, the Tucson Chapter of the American Singles Golf Association invites your participation in their events. For more information, call 798-6338.

Scoreboard

Flag **Football**

Monday-Wednesday

(as of M	onday)
<u>Team</u>	W
CMS	10-
EMS	5-
358 AMU	4-
LRS	4-
43 AMU	5-
612 ACOMS	5-
OSS	5-
CONS	4-
MDSS	3-
347 RQS	2-
357 AMU	2-
MSS	0-

Tuesday-Thursday

((as of Tuesday)	
<u>Team</u>		W-
SFS#2		6-
CES		7-2
43 ECS		6-
MOS		5-3
25 OWS		5-
79 AMU		3-
CS		4-

563 HMU 41 AMU 2-5

Bowling

Tuesday Early Risers

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Team	<u>1</u>	W-L
Sunf	lower Gals	69-43
We'd	Rather B Sleeping	68-44
Ping	Kel	66-46
The	Young'ens	62-50
Wee	Bee Bad	49-63
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<u>Team</u>	W-L
AMARC Woodmill	84-28
SVS#1	74-38
LRS	70-42
Lockheed	68-44
EMS/AMMO#1	66-46
MDG	66-46
CPTS#1	60-52
CMS	60-52
Comm #1	60-52

AMARC 56-56 Comm#2 54-58 CPTS#2 CONS 50-62 EMS#2 45-67 SVS#2 38-74 12 AF #1 38-74 25 OWS #1 25 OWS #2 OWC

CE 1.41	
Rolling Pins	44-60
Lucky Ladies	51-53
Three Bees	54-50
Donna's Darlins	54-50
Cool Cats	60-44
Strike Outs	66-38
Almost There	67-37
<u>Team</u>	W-L

CE Mixed Trio

<u>Team</u>	W-L
Got Beer	35-17
Pin Action	34-18
The Cans	32-20
Good Bad & Ugly	28.5-
23.5	
Brew Crew	28-24
Ernie's Rebels	26-26
Cruisers	26-26
BJ's Buns	24.5-
27.5	
Ray's Raiders	24-28
Jut 4 Fun	23-29

Leave The Bangs Thursday Night

Dirt Bovz

O Spare Us

Mickey's Mavericks

Mission Impos

Fran's Friends

Six Shooters

3 Jays and Me

Lane Brains

Gutter Busters

The Oddballs

Alley Oops

<u>Team</u>

So So's

<u>Team</u>

Phantom Mixed

Pee Wees

Man On

Shaka II

FUBAR

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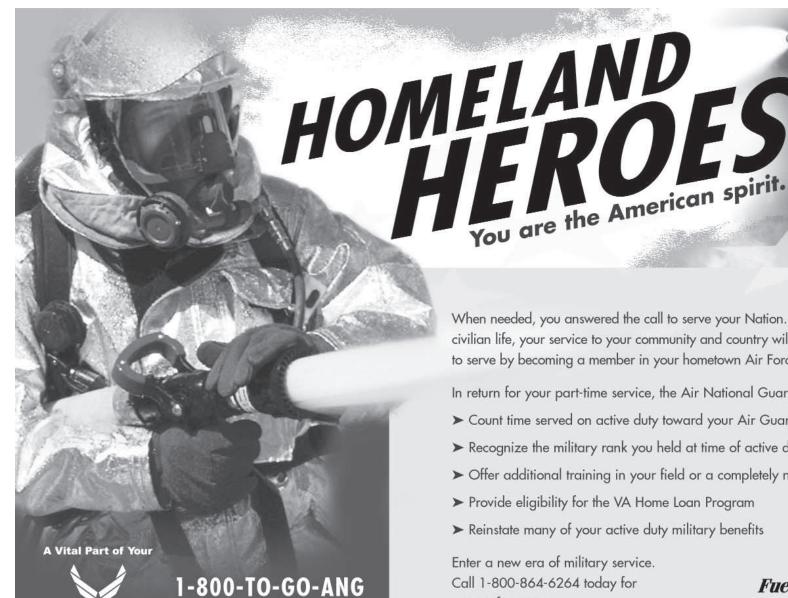
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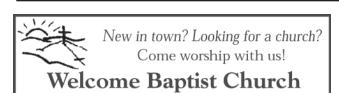
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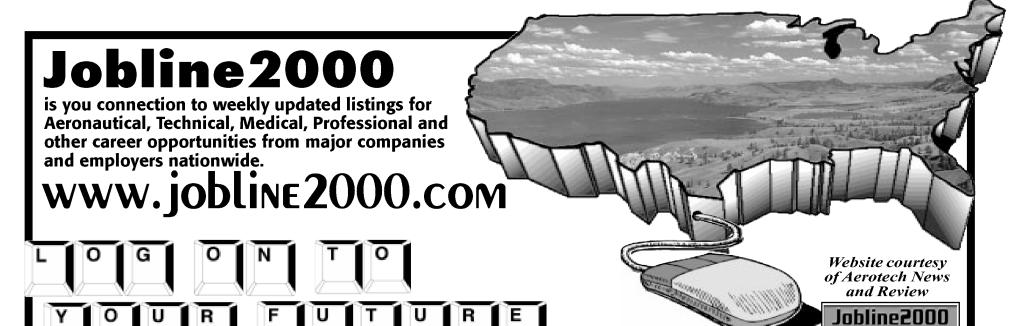
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Chapel Information

The following is a list of services offered at the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base chaples during the Christmas holiday. Location is at the Desert Dove Chapel unless otherwise noted. The Desert Dove and Hope Chapels share the parking lot at 5385 E. Ironwood. For more information on Jewish or Muslim services; Sunday School programs; Vacation Bible School; Bible studies; youth groups; and women's, men's and family ministry or regular service hours, call 228-5411.

Catholic Mass holiday schedule

at 5 p.m. Midnight Mass at midnight.

Thursday: Christmas Mass at 10 a.m.

Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Mass at 5 p.m.

Jan. 1: Solemnity of Virgin Mary at 10 a.m.

Wednesday: Family Christmas Vigil Mass

Protestant Services holiday schedule

Thursday: Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. **Dec. 31:** Watch Night Service at 10 p.m. at the Hope Chapel

Education Services

Teacher certification

The South Carolina T3 Coalition is now offering online teacher certification program to spouses and other civilian employees. The teacher certification program allows participants to complete nine online courses to prepare for new careers in public education. Following completion of online coursework, participants serve one-year paid internships in South Carolina public schools. The program is currently offering certification in science, math or English/language arts. For additional information on the program, visit www.hehd.clemson.edu/TTT/.

Basic Officer Training

There has been a change in the date for submitting applications for the fiscal 2004 March Non-critical Basic Officer Training Board. Packages are due to the education office by Feb. 4 instead of Feb. 20. For more information, please contact the base training and education services counselors Rafael Maldonado at 228-3484 or Michelle Marinelli at 228-4249.

Montgomery GI Bill

Military.com members can access the new 2004 Guide to Military and Veteran Education online. The new guide provides valuable information and tips on using GI Bill benefits, getting college credit for military service, accelerated degree programs and finding additional money to fund education. The guide is free, and is available to all service members, veterans and dependents who request information on degree programs from military-friendly schools. Visit the Web site at www.military.com/Education/Lead1.

Education office holiday hours

The Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Training and Education Services Office will be

closed Thursday, Dec. 26, Jan. 1 and 2. Normal operating hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Family Support Center

Toys for Tots

The family support center gave out donated Christmas toys to E1-E4 families
Thursday and welcomes all ranks today from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 228-5690.

Veteran's Affairs Claims Assistance

A veterans affairs representative will provide group appointments concerning veterans and disability benefits Monday at 10 a.m. and noon in Building 3200, Room 266. To sign up, call 228-5690.

Family Services holiday hours

Family Services, located in the family support center building, will be closed Wednesday through Jan. 4. For more information, call the FSC at 228-5690.

Happenings

Scholarships

The Officers Spouses Club and Enlisted Spouses Association scholarship applications are currently available. Applications are for graduating high school students, continuing education and spouses who are a dependent of active duty, retired, National Guard, Reserves or deceased member of any branch of the Armed Forces. Applications are at The Mirage Officers' Club, Desert Oasis Enlisted Club, base education office, family support center and community center. High school seniors may also pick up an application from their high school guidance counselor. For more information, call Deanna Phillips at 514-0532 or send an e-mail to dmoscscholar ship@yahoo.com.

Base Service Store holiday hours

The Base Service Store will close at 2 p.m. Wednesday and will reopen at 7:30 a.m. Dec. 26. It will also close at 2 p.m. Dec. 31 and will reopen at 7:30 a.m. Jan. 2.

Santa Claus visits

Santa Claus will be at the base exchange home and garden store Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come by to see the great selection of toys and Christmas decorations and get free pictures of Santa with the kids.

Motion sensor installation

Major Electric has begun a year-long process of installing motion sensor lights on selected units of base housing. These lights will be installed on both the carport and the rear patio areas and are intended to increase safety and security of base homes. The contractor will send a notification seven days

before the scheduled installation. An adult over the age of 18 years must be present during the installation. The contractor will need 30 to 45 minutes of access to the interior of the home and no more than 2 to 3 hours for the entire process. This is a mandatory appointment. Those who have extenuating circumstances and can't make the appointment can call 746-0300. For more information, call Yvonne Brabham at 228-4264 or Tech. Sgt. Brian Swanson at 228-5175.

Thrift shop holiday hours

The thrift shop will be closed Tuesday until Jan. 6.

Movies

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12 and senior citizens and is for DoD ID card holders and their guests only. For the theater movie recording, call 228-5694.

Friday, 7 p.m.: Scary Movie 3 (PG-13)

The Scary Movie gang is back for the third installment, but they are

no longer content to stick to the horror genre. Every type of movie is now up for skewering. 1 hour, 30 minutes



Saturday at 2 p.m.: Brother Bear (G)

When a boy's oldest brother is killed by a bear, he sets out for revenge. But the young man is transformed by the spirits of the forest into the very thing that he sought to slay. Seeing the world through a bear's eyes,



he will learn valuable lessons about the cycle of life and importance of honor. *1 hour*, *25 minutes*

Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.:

Free showing of Paycheck (PG-13)

(Free tickets can be picked up at the Main Base Exchange and Burger King today while they last.) Michael Jennings is a computer engineer hired by high-tech corporations for top-secret projects. Once a job is complete, he has his short-term memory erased so as not to divulge any sensitive information. But



upon completion of a recent job, instead of a paycheck, Jennings is handed pieces to a puzzle he must solve in order to save a life he can't remember. 2 hours, 3 minutes

Sunday, 7 p.m.: Mystic River (R)

As kids, nothing much ever happened for three boys, until a moment's decision drastically altered each of their lives. Twenty-five

years later, the three find themselves thrust back together by another tragic event. 2 hours, 17 minutes



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Services Activities

Bingo, prizes for teens

Preteens and teens can come in and play holiday bingo Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the youth center. There will be fun, prizes and food. Cost is \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members. For more information, call 228-8484.

Holiday decorations and crafts

This program is offered each Wednesday night in December from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and is free and open to all children ages 6 to 8 years. Children have the opportunity to create a variety of make-n-takes. For more information, call 228-8484.

Fine Arts Exhibit Program

The Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Youth Center will be conducting their annual Boys and Girls Club of America National Fine Arts Exhibit Program. The exhibit dates, times and locations are Jan. 8 at 4:30 to 8 p.m. at the youth center and Jan. 9 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the community center. Entry deadline is Jan. 5. Artwork must be entered in either the 6 to 9 year, 10 to 12 year, 13 to 15 year or 16 to 18 year old age group. The categories include: monochromatic drawing, multicolored drawing, pastel, watercolor, oil or acrylic, printmaking, mixed media, collage and group project. A monochromatic drawing is created with pencil, charcoal, pen, ink or crayons in one color or hue. A multicolored drawing is created with pencil, markers, pen, ink or crayons in more than one color. A pastel is created with chalk or pastels. A watercolor is created with tempera, pan-type or tube water-based paints. Oil or Acrylic are created with oil or acrylic-based paints. Printmaking is created by transferring an impression of a composition from one surface to paper. Mixed media involves combining any of the other categories on a two-dimensional surface. A collage is created by applying two or more materials on a raised twodimensional surface or is created with material to make a nonfunctional, three-dimensional object. A group project involves a group of club members. This category does not need to fall into any of the specific age groups.

One piece per local organization is submit-

ted to the regional host. Winners of the local exhibit will be submitted to the regional exhibit. If artwork wins at regional, it will be submitted to national for judging. For more information, call Kathy Sands at 228-8373 or the youth center at 228-8484.

Expanded Family Child Care

Expanded Family Child Care is for parents who work extended hours, experience a shift change or who are in need of temporary help. Childcare is provided in contracted family child care homes at a nominal cost or no cost to members. Parents must be active duty Air Force members or members of other military services assigned to an Air Force base, Air National Guard or Air Force Reserve members in training status on weekend or annual training. Service is provided on a space-available basis. Contact the Family Child Care Office at 228-2201 for more information on applying for the Extended Family Child Care program.

Retiree and deployed family meals

Retirees and their families are invited to the Desert Inn Dining Facility for brunch from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. and dinner from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Federal holidays. Deployed Family Meals are Tuesdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information call 228-1303.

Bingo

The community center invites everybody to come out and enjoy Bingo games Tuesdays. Doors open at 5 p.m. and early bird games start at 6:30 p.m. There are lots of great games, cash prizes and jackpots from \$50 to \$1,000. Stormy's Cafe is also open serving a variety of sandwiches, snacks, pizza and a wide selection of beverages during the games. Players must be 18 years or older. Youth 15 years or under are not allowed in the facility without a parent or guardian.

Get With The Program

The Family Child Care Center is looking for people interested in being child care professionals. Those interested will operate a home-based business with minimal cost and will have a flexible schedule. The Air Force FCC Program ensures members receive all necessary training, free of charge. For more information, call 228-2201.

Become a club member today

Would you like to start enjoying great club benefits today? Just stop by the club and fill out a membership application. You'll become a member instantly and be eligible for numerous local and Air Force wide benefits including members only discounts and events, discounts on club dining, promotional prizes and giveaways plus much more. Enlisted members will receive \$10 and officer members will receive \$15 in Services Bucks that can be used at designated Services Activities and many off-base businesses. In addition, all new members receive two months of membership dues free. For more information, call 228-3301.

Holiday hours

The following is a list of Services Activities for the weeks of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The hours were current as of Thursday but are subject to change based on flight commander direction. In order to ensure the most accurate information possible, please call the phone number listed with each Services Activity location.

Arts and Crafts Center	228-4385
Please call for holiday hours of operation.	
Auto Skills Center	228-3614
Please call for holiday hours of operation.	
Blanchard Golf Course	228-3734
Daily, sunrise to sunset	
Bowling Center	
Mon. through Wed. and Dec. 26 8 a.m. to 8 p.	
Thurs. and Jan. 1. Sat. 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Su	n. noon to
5 p.m.	5 4 5 9 9 9 4
Cabanas	
Mon. and Tues. 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wed. 10:4 p.m.; Closed Thrus. through Dec. 27, Jan. 1 and	
lar business hours Dec. 29 through 31.	ıa 2. negu-
Child Development Center	228-3336
Mon. through Wed. 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Clos	ed Thurs
Dec. 26, Jan. 1 and 2.	
Community Center	228-3717
Mon., Tues., Dec. 29 and 30 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Wed	
1 p.m.; Closed Thurs., Dec. 26, Jan 1 and 2; Dec.	
and Jan. 3 and 4 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Dec. 31 7 a.m.	n. to 2 p.m.
Desert Oasis Enlisted Club	
Closed Sunday through Dec. 30 and Jan. 1 t	hrough 5.
Call for all other hours and activities.	000 5501
Desert Inn Dining Facility	
(For both weeks) Mon. through Fri. 5:15 to	
10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. and	
1 a.m.; Sat. and Sun. 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to	
Eagles Nest Restaurant Located at the Golf Course: Daily, 5:30 a.m. to	
Enlisted Club Barber Shop	
Closed Thurs. and Jan. 1.	740-0710
Family Child Care	228-2201
Mon. through Wed., Dec. 26, Dec. 29 through 31	
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Closed Thurs. and Jan.	
Fitness and Sports Center	
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and Jan. 1; Dec. 26 and Jan. 29 a.m. to 7 p.r	
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7 p.m.	000 051 4
Haeffner Fitness Center	
Mon. through Wed. and Dec. 29 through 31 5:	
7 p.m. Closed Thurs Sun. and Jan. 1 through	
Information, Tickets & Travel	228-3700
Please call for holiday hours of operation.	228-4381
Mon. through Wed. and Dec. 29 through 31	
8 p.m.; Closed Thurs.and Jan. 1; Fri. and Jan. 2	
6 p.m.; Sat. and Jan. 3 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	10 00
Lodging Reservations	748-1500
Mirage Officers Club	
Wed. no lunch, cashier closes at noon; Close	
Dec. 26 and Jan. 1; Call for all other hours and	activities.
Officers Club Barber Shop	748-8968
Closed Thurs. and Jan. 1	
Outdoor Recreation and Equ	
Rental	228-3736
Please call for holiday hours of operation.	000 0717
Stormy's Cyber Cafe	
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Veterinarian	228-2520
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through 31 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Closed Thus	
and 2	.,
Youth Center	228-8844
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Tues., Wed., Dec. 30 and 31 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Closed

Thurs., Jan. 1 and 2; Dec. 26 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Sat.

and Jan. 3 noon to 8 p.m.

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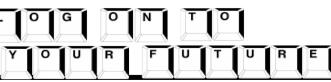
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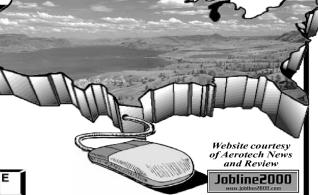
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